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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
 TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

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I hereby certify that this paper or fee (along with any paper or fee referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir/Madam:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application for one month.

- Applicant claims small entity status.
- A check in the amount of the \$55.00 fee is enclosed.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, except the issue fee, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 20-0100.

Dated this 6 day of August, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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